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#### U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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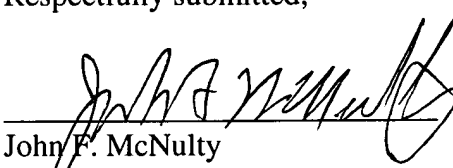
application, copy of International Search Report enclosed herewith.

- (AB) **6,820, 764 B2**, dated November 23, 2004. This patent corresponds to European Patent No. 1 262 412 A, which is cited as a category "A" in the International Search Report, regarding claim 1 of that application, copy of International Search Report enclosed herewith.

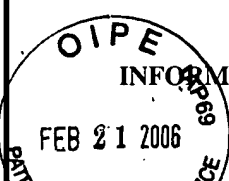
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- (AC) **US 2005/ 0236425 A1**, dated October 27, 2005. This patent corresponds to European Patent No. 1 396 435 A, which is cited as a category "P, X" in the International Search Report, regarding claims 1-10 of that application, copy of International Search Report enclosed herewith.

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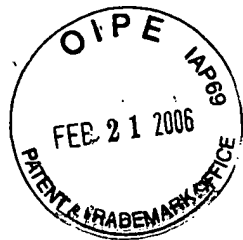
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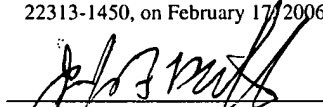
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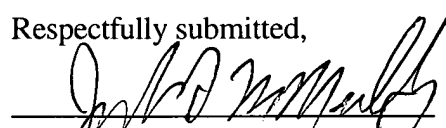
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- (1) Information Disclosure Statement;
- (2) PTO form 1449;
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